STATE OF NEW YORK
LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY
BUFFALO, N.Y., JANUARY 19TH, 2023 A.D.

Honoring Pastor Ron Martin of Faith Fellowship Church for his Generous Efforts During the Buffalo Blizzard

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT *at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County held in the Old County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 19th day of January 2023 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:*

WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature is pleased to honor individuals and institutions in our community who enhance the quality of life for their family, friends, and neighbors through their conscientious and selfless service; and

WHEREAS, a deadly winter storm unleashed a fierce blizzard that swept through Erie County over Christmas weekend, burying the City of Buffalo and surrounding suburbs in over 52 inches of snow, leaving roadways impassable, stranding people in cars and away from their homes, forcing hundreds of vehicles to be abandoned on roads and highways, and tragically resulting in the loss of more than 40 lives; and

WHEREAS, when the dangerous storm conditions made it nearly impossible for emergency vehicles to respond and caused as much as two-thirds of the snow-clearing equipment to be unavailable for service at the height of the storm, causing hundreds of cars to become stranded, leaving countless motorists in peril **Pastor Ron Martin** at the ready; and

WHEREAS, as first responders were facing howling snow, tropical storm force winds, and freezing temperatures, **Pastor Ron Martin** prepared for **Faith Fellowship Church** to assist in the rescue efforts,

WHEREAS, when the local Firehall warming shelters were at total capacity, **Pastor Ron Martin** graciously opened the doors of the church, housing 30 people and undoubtedly saving the lives of many.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to honor and express their endless gratitude to **Pastor Ron Martin,** who selflessly took care of others during this once-in-a-generational storm.

HON. CHRISTOPHER D. GREENE
Erie County Legislator – 6th District